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In re the Patent of: **MIZUTANI, Shinji, et al.**

Group Art Unit: 1756

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**OFFICE OF PETITIONS**

For: **MICRO DEVICES MANUFACTURING METHOD AND APPARATUS THEREFOR**  
**PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.324 TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP IN A PATENT**

Sir:

Date: November 3, 2004

This is a petition requesting issuance of a certificate of correction of inventorship under 37 CFR § 1.324, to delete Kazuya OTA and Masahiko YASUDA as inventors of the above-identified patent. This petition is accompanied by:

(1) A Statement of Current Named Inventors

(2) A Statement of Assignee Agreeing to Change of Inventorship in a Patent and Statement under 37 CFR § 3.73(b)

(3) The fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.20(b).

Please charge any fees for such an extension of time and any other fees which may be due with respect to this paper, to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

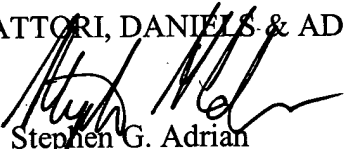
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**STATEMENT OF ASSIGNEE AGREEING TO CHANGE OF INVENTORSHIP IN A PATENT AND STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 3.73(b)**

Sir:

Nikon Corporation certifies that it is the owner of the entire interest of U.S. Patent No. 6,566,022, by virtue of an assignment recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on June 1, 1995, at Reel 7527, Frame 0892.

Nikon Corporation agrees to the change of inventorship to delete Kazuya OTA and Masahiko YASUDA as inventors of the above-identified patent.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to act on behalf of the assignee.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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